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Wartburg senior wins Iowa fiction contest

By Sarah Thomsen
Staff Writer

An early-morning trip to Donutland on a dreary Saturday. That's where it all began. It was over Dutch crumb and coffee that Jill K. Norviel captured the idea for the short story, "Like Her" that recently won first place in the Iowa Literary Awards competition.

JILL K. NORVIEL

"I wasn't even going to enter the contest. I didn't think I could ever win anything, largely because I'm still so young, but I thought, well, what do I have to lose? So I threw some stories in the mail and, well, waited for the phone to ring," said Norviel.

The national contest, sponsored by the Iowa Organization of the Writing Arts (IOWA), was open to writers of any age and educational background. This meant Norviel was up against tough competition, said Dr. Paul Hedeen, English professor and member of the IOWA board of directors.

"She's one of the best writers I've ever worked with in my 17 year career," he said.

Talent was not the problem in convincing Norviel to submit an entry. Time was.

"In the spring, when I first heard about the contest, I didn't feel like I had any good stories to send out. Well, summer rolled around and I had lots of weekends to write. I sat down in front of the computer one Saturday to work on another story and thought to myself, 'someday I should write a story about my friend Kev and I going to Donutland.' There was no time like the present, so I sat down and wrote it. I barely changed a thing from the time I wrote it to the time I sent it away to IOWA. It's one of the most natural stories I've ever written," she said.

The judges agreed.

Not only was Norviel awarded a monetary prize for first place in the Iowa division, she was also the second place winner at the national level.

"When I got the call, it was such a surge that I could barely contain myself. I guess the lottery philosophy 'you can't win if you don't play' is true," she said. Norviel has calmed down since then, but she's still in shock.

"I'm in a state of disbelief. It's not often that anything in life comes this easily," Norviel said. "From a writing perspective, I was awarded for something I was able to create and to have complete control over, and no one can say I've done it wrong ... it's *my* story. Winning this competition is one of the greatest things that's ever happened to me as a writer."

"I'm very proud of her," said Hedeen. "Maybe I'm even a little envious, but don't tell her that," he added with a chuckle.

Norviel has had a lot of experience as a writer. She began as a child, using "my Grandma Norviel's old teal green Smith Corona electric typewriter, the kind that

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an exerpt from
LIKE HER
Jill K. Norviel

We were almost to the donut shop when Dan says to me, "So she says to me, 'whenever I meet someone, and I'm trying to get to know them, I ask if they could meet any five people, living or dead, who would it be?' So I'm walking around with her at the mall trying to think of who I'd like to spend time with. She's cool, Sam, she makes me think like that. You'd like her. You'll like her. I hope you'll like her. I want you to like her." He looks at me and I smile, push my hair behind my ear and try to smile at him with my eyes on the road. I stop singing along with the radio. "You'll like her," he says with a wave of his hand, "I like her."

We get out of the car. I slam my door a little loudly. He always does this to me. Next he'll tell me she's a lot like me, as a matter of fact, she's exactly like me. By the end of donuts, I'll not only like her, I'll ***love*** *her. I might even* ***adore*** *her. Two weeks from now, he'll take a week to return my calls. I'll give up.*

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Pure domination...

Kate Kelting/TRUMPET

IIAC CHAMPIONS—Leading the pack in Saturday's conference cross country meet in Fayette are from left, senior Julie Leonard, freshman Erin VanZee, senior Heidi Ludvigsen, freshman Stacy Ernst and senior Trina Steines. The men's and women's cross country teams won the championship. See page 8 for story.

Campus briefs

LIVE NASA COVERAGE
Wartburg Television, local access cable channel 13, will continue airing a live satellite feed from NASA throughout John Glenn's return to space mission. This opportunity is provided to the Wartburg and Waverly communities as a public service of the Communication Arts Department.

CANCER DISCUSSION GROUP
A discussion group is being formed for all students who have been affected by cancer. The next meeting is Nov. 9 at 9 p.m. Students may offer comfort and support to other students who may not be able to relate to counselors or peers. All discussion will be confidential. For more information contact Andrea Payne or Angie Helland at extension 7347.

WARTBURG WEST
Learn more about Wartburg West. Stop by Buhr Lounge Wednesday through Saturday, where Nelson Bock will be available to answer questions. An informational meeting will be held in the Castle Room at 6 p.m. Thursday.

INTERNATIONAL CLUB TRIP
International Students' Club has organized a trip to the Mall of America Nov. 15. A sign up sheet is available in the International Programs office in Diers House. The cost for the trip is $5. Students will depart from the information desk at 7 a.m. Departure from the mall will be at 6 p.m. Any member of the International Students' Club is encourage to sign up.

DINNER THEATRE
The comedy *Lovers and Other Strangers* will be performed Nov. 13, 14 and 15 as a dinner theatre in Buhr Lounge.

Dinner for the Friday and Saturday performances begins at 6 p.m. with the play to follow at 7 p.m. An entree choice of cod or ribeye is available. Children's meal is a chicken breast. Cost is $15 for adults, $10 for Wartburg students and $8 for children 12 and under.

Sunday's performance begins at 2:30 p.m. A desert buffet will precede at 2 p.m. Costs are $10 for adults and $8 for Wartburg students and children.

Lovers and Other Strangers is directed by Richard Glocker. Union Council and Wartburg Players are sponsoring the event. Tickets may be purchased at the information desk.

INTERNATIONAL CAFE
Ever been to Cyprus? If not, the International Students' Club will bring Cyprus to you. The club is organizing an International cafe Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m in the Lair. Those attending will have the opportunity to learn more about Cyprus in a relaxing atmosphere. There will be food, dancing, pictures and a quiz testing Cyprus facts.

WEDNESDAY KNIGHT WORKSHOP
Do you like to frame your D-F slips? If not come to this week's Wednesday Knight Workshop in Centennial 1 Lounge at 7 p.m. to learn how to study for finals.

Alumna leads convocation

MIRIAM LUTZ

College Relations

Miriam Lutz, a 1984 Wartburg College alumna, will return to her alma mater Tuesday, to speak at the college's global/multicultural convocation.

She will discuss her life's work among the world's refugees at 9:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium. The public is invited to attend without charge.

Lutz, who is considered one of the most capable linguists to ever graduate from Wartburg, is the executive director of Action by Christians Together (ACT).

Since graduating from Wartburg, she has been involved with refugees, first through the United Nations High Commission for Refugees and then with the Lutheran World Federation and World Council of Churches.

After completing her master's degree in French at the Monterey School of Languages, she went to Nairobi, Kenya, to serve as a free-lance translator. It was there she became involved with refugees and the United Nations.

In 1993, she was assigned by the UN High Commissioner of Refugees to Croatia and a year later to the camp for Rwandan refugees near Kabare, Zaire.

Because of the intense violence fueled by ethnic strife at these camps, the Lutheran World Federation and World Council of Churches led a group of 40 other global relief agencies to form ACT, which provides humanitarian intervention in such situations.

Lutz, a native of Lytton, Iowa, is ACT's first executive director.

Student heads psychological organization

by Aaron Horman and Amy Sievers
Layout Editor and Staff Writer

Senior Marc Groen was elected co-president of the Iowa Psychological Association (IPA) Division III at the fall conference in October at Central College in Pella.

Groen will share the co-presidency with two juniors from Central. Their terms will begin May 1999 and run for one year.

As president, Groen hopes to represent Iowa students by posing new opportunities to get students more involved with IPA and help them understand psychology through practical applications.

IPA is designed to support psychologists by keeping them up-to-date on the latest trends in the profession with the assistance of researchers and experts at a spring and fall conference held at an Iowa college or university.

The conferences allow students, psychology faculty and practicing psychologists from across the state to interact.

IPA is made up of three divisions. Professional associates and clinical practitioners belong to Division I. College and university professors are grouped under Division II. Membership in Division III is open to any college or university student.

Groen learned about IPA from '96 Wartburg graduate Steve Taylor. Taylor served as a co-president of the association his senior year.

After speaking with Taylor, Groen researched the organization and decided to join.

"IPA gives students the opportunity to meet with people in psychology and interact—something not otherwise available," Groen said.

IPA's student division has been active for about five years, associate professor of psychology Todd Reiher said.

As a new division to the association, student awareness and education are the primary goals, Groen said.

Groen is majoring in psychology and philosophy.

MARC GROEN

Haunt for late October

EEK!—Junior Taunee Sellers (front) and freshman Kim Drennen (right) recoil in surprise during the Manors Haunted House Thursday.

Jill Benson/TRUMPET

On-campus dining alternatives available

By Heidi Tiedt
Staff Writer

The Wartburg College Dining Service offers a variety of meal options available to students, faculty and staff.

Montagsmenü, formerly called Mac's Above Main, is designed for faculty, staff and students to talk and eat informally. It is held Mondays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Buhr Lounge. The menu usually follows the meal that the dining hall serves. The cost is 50 cents for students on board and $3 for faculty and staff. There is no advance sign-up for this meal.

Knights at Noon is similar to Montagsmenü, but it is served Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the meals follow an ethnic theme each week. For example, Thursday's meal will be an all-American meal, consisting of grilled hamburgers, steamed hot dogs, American fries and other items. The cost is 50 cents for students on board and $3 for faculty and staff. This meal is held in the Lair, and there is no sign-up.

Candlelight dinners are held 10 times every year, and they are scheduled a year in advance. These dinners are more formal in nature and are held in the Castle Room. Organizations can sponsor the formal dinners, where students can meet with invited faculty and staff. Sign ups are in the Caf prior to the dinners. The cost is 50 cents for students on board and $3 for faculty and staff.

Point transfer is available for students who want to eat in the Den as individuals or with groups, rather than eating in the Caf. This entitles a student to a sandwich, chips, salad bar and a beverage. There is a sign up in the Den with 30-minute slots from 5:30 until 10 p.m. Students must sign up one day in advance.

On Sunday evenings the Den offers a buffet that contains a combination of Italian and Mexican foods. Points or cash can be used to pay for this meal.

Upperclassmen are offered an option to change their meal plan from full board to Pick-15 or Pick-10.

Pick-15 allows students to eat 15 meals in the Caf, 80 points per term are transfered to the students' points accounts. These points may be used in the Den or the Caf. Unused points are refunded at the end of each term.

Pick-10 is reserved for students who have reasons to miss many meals, including student teachers, students with internships and jobs off-campus, and students with food allergies and health problems.

Don Juhl, director of food service, said the dining service tries to offer the best plans for students' needs.

"I feel the Pick program offered by Wartburg College provides flexibility and a reduced price that is fully refunded if not utilized," Juhl said.

Students can find Caf menus on the Internet at http://www.wartburg.edu/foodserv/DHMENU.htm

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hums so hard the whole desk shakes while you write," spending every waking moment creating stories. Since then, the passion hasn't left her.

"I'm really curious to see what the future holds now," said Norviel. "After I finish college, I'll probably work in communications to pay the bills and do my own writing on the side."

But her ambitions extend far beyond that. "It's my ultimate dream in life to be paid to sit and write stories all day. That's all I need in life."

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Six months from now, they'll have broken up, and we'll go out for donuts like normal people do on Saturday mornings.

So there's hope.

We walk in the front door and a bell rings. This new guy behind the counter is chipper this morning — almost too chipper. I already don't trust him. Too nice, can't trust too nice. Anyway, he "can I help you"s us and I order my usual — cinnamon twist and a Dutch crumb. Dan's watching his weight again, so I'm shocked when he gets three cake donuts — all different flavors: chocolate/chocolate, plain, and a blueberry sugared. It's the plain that gets me. It's the plain that is immanently Dan.

I pull out my wallet. Can he get us anything to drink? I set my wallet down, measure with my hands. "I'm going to need the biggest cup of coffee you can find me." Dan doesn't have his coffee pot unpacked at the new apartment yet. I'm dying.

"Ma'am," the guy says, losing more points. I'm nobody's ma'am yet. "Is this for here?" I nod, see Dan escape to a table chuckling. "There's free refills if it's for here." I nod more emphatically, upset that I feel so demonstrative and stupid, that my attempts at communication are failing, that this guy doesn't get me. But I'm dying here.

He fills my coffee, I pay, join Dan at the table he's picked by the door.

"So who're your five, Romeo?" I ask, "I'm dying here."

"Well," he says, "definitely someone in music — maybe Bach or Beethoven." Dan is studying music. He has a surround sound stereo system, and we often turn off all the lights and blast symphonies. I feel inside the orchestra that way. I always tell him as we lie there on the floor not touching that if we're trying to capture being at the symphony, we should be sitting in stiff chairs and there should be an old man sitting next to me sleeping and drooling. This is better than that.

Women's equality questioned

by Sarah Christopherson
News Editor

Iowans who vote in Tuesday's election will place their votes for more than representatives. They will also be deciding the fate of two words — and women.

Tuesday's general ballot gives citizens of Iowa the chance to decide whether or not to add "and women" to the first article of Iowa's constitution. The proposed amendment is as follows:

Iowa Constitution

Article One

Rights of persons. Section 1. All men and women are by nature, free and equal, and have certain inalienable rights — among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property, and pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.

Kim Folkers, associate professor of marketing and co-director of global and multicultural studies said when the constitution of Iowa was written in the 19th century, women of the time had no voting rights and could not own land. The constitution excluded women.

Folkers has been working with the American Association of University Women in campaigning for the passage of the amendment.

Iowa House Representative Bob Brunkhorst of Waverly said it is time to update the constitution. The Iowa constitution was written for a male-dominated society, he said. This amendment is a bipartisan effort.

With the advancement of women's rights, the word "men" in the constitution has come to have a universal meaning of "people," said Folkers. Women's right to equality has been increased by separate pieces of legislation adopted over the years by state legislature.

Without a constitutional amendment, these laws can be changed any time by the attitudes and political agendas of the legislature change.

Folkers said Americans have come to assume the rights of women. This is a time when the equality of women is unquestioned. However, this equality is not ensured. Folkers said by adding "and women" to the constitution, Iowans are safeguarding their rights and the rights of their children.

"The amendment doesn't give women any special rights," said junior Amber Peterson, president of Women of Wartburg. Rather, the amendment ensures women equal rights.

"Symbolically, this amendment carries a lot of weight," Folkers said.

Brunkhorst said Iowans won't see a lot of day-to-day change if this amendment passes. The addition is more of a motivating factor.

The addition would help create a mind-set of equality in the daily tasks of government, the courts and the legislature.

REACHING THE PEOPLE— United States Senator Tom Harkin greeted students in the Caf line last Tuesday. Harkin was on hand to campaign for fellow polititians running in Tuesday's race. Students who are registered to vote in Bremer County can cast their ballots at the PEC all day Tuesday.

Sarah Christopherson/ TRUMPET

Moeller leads relations staff

by Stephanie Robbins
Managing Editor

LINDA MOELLER

While the college searches for a director of college relations, a 10-year veteran of the department is taking the reigns.

Linda Moeller, the publications director at Wartburg since 1989, is the acting director of college relations, effective Nov. 1. Dr. David Rod has left the post to work with the American College Testing Program in Iowa City.

While keeping her present job of overlooking publications, Moeller adds the responsibilities of directorship. "It includes overseeing the college's marketing strategies, and college relations oversight of the Web," Moeller said of her new duties.

For the most part, it will be business as usual as Moeller fills in. "[Operation of the department] won't change," she said.

The college is beginning a search for a new college relations director, and Moeller expects some changes after the position is filled. "I'm envisioning some restructuring of how responsibilities fall," she said.

'Integrated marketing communications' is the new trend, according to Moeller, and President Jack Ohle said a vice president for institutional advancement will be created before the start of the '99-'00 academic year.

"The institutional advancement division will look at all the external operations of the college, like marketing, alumni relations ... and college relations; and coordinate them all under one vice president," Ohle said.

Vice President of Development Al Koeneman will leave his position at the end of the academic year, according to Ohle, and Ohle's plan will take effect after that time.

Finding a permanent director for college relations is another addition for Wartburg's "to do" list, but the search is expected to be completed by the end of the academic year, said Moeller and Ohle.

"The college is also looking for a new dean of faculty and raising money for the library. There are lots of irons in the fire," Moeller said.

"I'm excited to do this — I've worked in this office for 10 years. It's fun to take responsibility for our efforts.

"We have a really good staff, and being leader of this staff won't be hard," she said.

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EDITORIAL

What are you doing Tuesday night?

We at the *Trumpet* aren't trying to get fresh with you, nor do we have a new policy of renting out the editorial slot as billboard space.

We're merely reminding you that Tuesday is election day.

Go vote.

You've heard it time and again.

Your fifth grade civics teacher probably told you that a good citizen pays his taxes, cheerfully turns out for jury duty and votes in every election.

You've heard over and over that it's your duty and your privilege as an American to select your representative, your governor, your president.

Trite? Yes. True? Definitely. Not every earthling has the right to cast a secret ballot for the person of her choice.

If you're registered to vote outside of Bremer County, you can request an absentee ballot from your home county.

If you're not registered to vote, shame on you. Although it's too late to register to vote in Iowa for this election, head to your county courthouse when you're home over Thanksgiving and do it.

Voting is quick. It's free. It's painless.

And it's your duty as a good American citizen.

So what are you doing Tuesday night?

Thomas logs on to e-mail problems

Chris Thomas

My grandma always used to tell me, "You don't know what you've got until it's gone."

I never used to think about it much. It sounds like it makes sense, but recently this saying came to mind again.

Back at the beginning of the year, something changed at breakfast in the cafeteria. No, the food didn't get any better. The Page disappeared. The most enjoyable part of the meal was gone.

The Page is now only available on-line via the Wartburg e-mail system, which is about as accessible as Cameron Diaz's home phone number, but we'll get to that later.

My routine was ruined. My donut and glass of Mountain Dew just wasn't the same without the Page. But I didn't get upset right away, I'm always willing to try something new. So I gave it a shot (as if I had a choice), and after trying out the on-line Page, I have come to a conclusion. It stinks.

It doesn't just stink because my breakfast routine has been destroyed, but also because I don't get to read it anymore until the afternoon.

By the time I and a lot of other students I have spoken with get to read the Page, lots of the offices are closed or the events have passed.

While I understand the purpose of the on-line version — to save trees and publishing costs — isn't its main purpose to be read? Shouldn't that be the primary concern of the Page?

Trying to find the time to read the Page on-line also becomes a problem. Now, I know everyone finds time to check their e-mail during the day sometime, but who has time to read the entire Page in those few minutes in between classes or on the way to a meeting? The Page is a very lengthy e-mail, which isn't bad in itself, but who has the time to read the entire thing?

It would be like me making this column available by e-mail only. Sure, a couple of you would probably try to find the time to read it (Thanks, Mom and Dad!) but most everyone else would just delete it or try to unsubscribe. And even if you do find the time to read the Page, who has the time to sit down and try and log onto the e-mail system?

Trying to log onto Wartburg e-mail is like playing a slot machine that rarely ever comes up. You keep trying and trying and trying, but you never win. Maybe it's just me (even though I know it isn't), but every time I try to check my messages or write a new one, the systems keeps getting slower and slower. It's like someone needs to change the battery.

And if you are lucky enough to get a fast response, it is normally to tell you that the system has exceeded its maximum amount of users. Why should it be any different from last year? It's the same system after all, and it's not as if we added 1,000 new students this year.

I personally have come to the conclusion that the VAX e-mail system always being "down" or "full" is a conspiracy. It's a blatant attempt to get us to use Webmail more often.

Whenever the VAX is ailing, Webmail is still running. Is Computer Services trying to pull a fast one on us? Are they trying to make us hate the old system? Is this their plan?

Well, it's not going to work. I for one love the old system. By the time you actually get Webmail to load and the Internet to come up on screen, you don't even want to read your e-mail. Also, it is always disappointing when you log on and you have no new messages, but it is even more disappointing when you load Webmail, wait and then you have no messages.

Well, Grandma, wherever you are these days, you were right. You really don't notice the little things until they are taken away from you.

First it was the Page, then e-mail became even slower then last year. Next thing you know, the *Trumpet* will become a subscription-based service, they'll build a bridge over the dip by the Players Theater — I mean, the Temporary Library — and the Den will stop delivering entirely.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ohle commends KWAR for Luther parade prank

The ingenuity of the KWAR staff who planned the "prank" to infiltrate the Luther Homecoming parade is an example of tremendous school spirit. As the headlines in the Oct. 19 issue of the *Trumpet* stated, "Everyone loves a parade."

I only wish I could have been on the parade route to see firsthand not only the excitement of the Wartburg students who participated but the surprise of the Luther fans who lined the parade route. I have heard some of the stories about past pranks and have been somewhat concerned that we might lose perspective on the importance of good sportsmanship and positive relations among rival institutions. Luther College and Wartburg have strong traditions and we need to honor those traditions. The students that planned this year's prank have honored Wartburg because of the positive nature of their actions.

Congratulations! Go Knights!

Jack Ohle
Wartburg president

Student defends rivalry t-shirts

In response to last weeks letters expressing the disapproval of this years Wartburg-Luther T-shirts I have one thing to say, get a life!

I get so sick and tired of people who get all bent out of shape about something as little as this. Why does everyone insist on finding a problem in everything?

How on earth does the picture of the knight and the Luther chick depict women as victims? Its Luther everybody! We are conquering Norsemen not all the women in the world.

The "busty babe" on front is clearly from Luther and it just so happens that we are there rivals. Therefore, we conquer them. It's as simple as that.

Maybe if the girl's swimsuit didn't say Luther on it we would have a case no matter how dumb the argument would still be.

Please people the whole point of the shirt is to insult Luther not all the women on the planet. Disrespect or not they are our rivals how much respect should they really get from us?

I am still very proud to be a Wartburg Knight even if I do own a shirt. I take offense to the comments someone made about people with the shirts not having any manners. I have very good manners thank you and I don't think a shirt has anything to do with that.

One more thing, I would definitely sport this great shirt in front of my parents. They know better than to get all upset about some non-existent problem on a T-shirt.

Scott Eager
Sophomore

Cross country teams thankful for fan support during season

The members of the 1998 Iowa Conference Cross Country Champions would like to thank all of the fan support throughout our season and especially at our meet in Fayette on Saturday. Your presence and encouragement was, without a doubt, a major contributing factor to our achievements!

Many parents, fans and alumni showed up in support of our ongoing efforts and our fans easily outnumbered and outclassed those of other schools.

For those of you who were able to make it to the meet, we hope that you shared in our incredible excitement. Never before has any other team won all four team titles. At the beginning of the year, we listed this as a major goal for the team. It feels so good to attain this goal.

We're not done. Two weeks from now, Nov. 14, we travel to St. Olaf to attempt to advance both teams to nationals. We would greatly appreciate it if you would make the trip up to Northfield once more.

1998 Wartburg cross country team

444 Days

The story of a Wartburg graduate caught in the middle of the Iranian Hostage Crisis comes to the History Channel

Jill Benson/TRUMPET

KATHRYN KOOB

BY TRAVIS GRAVEN/FEATURES EDITOR

Wartburg graduate Kathryn Koob never suspected her career would take her to a foreign country. Nor was she aware that the year 1979 would change her life forever. That year sparked a chain of events that will never be forgotten — by Koob or her fellow Americans. This weekend, The History Channel is bringing the story to living rooms across the country.

Backdrop

Kathryn Koob graduated from Wartburg in 1962 with a bachelor's degree in speech and theatre. She had always thought she would be a speech and drama teacher. And for a few years, she was.

Koob taught at St. Paul's Lutheran Junior High School in Waverly for two years, then at Newton High School in Newton for four years.

While she was in graduate school, someone suggested she check out foreign service. Koob found the idea interesting, so she took the necessary tests and began a career with foreign service.

"It was one of those things that I could not have anticipated," she said.

Koob became a foreign services officer and a diplomat of the United States. In July 1979, she went to Iran, where she was posted at the U.S. embassy in Tehran as director of the Iran America Society.

"We were on a very skeleton staff at the embassy," Koob said. "Our job was to try and re-establish a working diplomatic relationship with the country of Iran — this new Islamic republic."

The Hostage Crisis

Nearly four and a half months after Koob arrived in Iran, on Nov. 4, 1979, the U.S. embassy was overtaken by a large group of radical Islamic students. The students had initially designed a sit-in, but their actions were so popular that a hostage situation developed.

The students wanted the Shah returned to Iran to stand trial.

The U.S. embassy staff was held captive for the next 14 and a half months. During that time, Koob and her colleagues were kept in various locations around the embassy compound.

Very early in the hostage crisis, a fellow hostage came to Koob. The young woman told Koob she thought within a week the United States would send bombers to Iran, and they would all be bombed and die.

Koob said she thought that was the last thing the U.S. wanted.

"But she was convinced, and I was delighted to see a week go by ... a month go by — not that I liked being a hostage, but just so that she was not proven right," Koob said with a smile.

The hostage crisis forced Koob to depend on her faith, and brought her to an important point in her spiritual development. She spent much of her mornings studying the contemplative life.

Koob said the U.S. has a policy for hostage situations. She said they will not give in to blackmail demands and will not pay ransom. However, they will negotiate for the release of hostages.

"This is what they did; that's what I expected they would do," Koob said.

"I have said often that I was never so proud of Americans for being willing to do something that they don't like to do, which is dig in their heels and wait — just wait a situation out," she said.

Koob said there was an attempt to rescue the hostages in April 1980, but the attempt failed. She said she didn't really know much about the attempt except what she read afterward.

"I was told it should have worked.

"What I do know is eight men lost their lives in that rescue attempt," Koob said in a soft voice. "There is no way to describe how one feels when you realize someone has died trying to do something for you — in this instance, bring you home."

Koob said she and Ann Swift, another woman held hostage, talked a great deal about the failed rescue attempt.

"The only word that ever came close to expressing how we felt was 'stunned,'" Koob said.

The aborted rescue attempt in April prompted the Iranians to move some of Koob's colleagues from the U.S. embassy to other places in Iran. Koob herself was never moved off the embassy until the entire staff was taken to a prison compound near the end of the crisis.

Eventually, through serious negotiation and the Iraqi attack on Iran, a settlement was agreed upon in 1981.

So 444 days after the crisis ensued and during the inaugural ceremonies of Ronald Reagan as president in January 1981, Koob and all other hostages were released to the Algerians. Koob said they were taken to Algeria where they were turned over to State Department officials.

"We came home to an incredible welcome," she said.

Koob said there were stories on the nightly news and yellow ribbons tied everywhere. She said it was difficult to understand just how deeply involved the country had been in this crisis.

Koob attended a celebration on the Wartburg campus on Feb. 12, 1981, to turn off a vigil light on top of Old Main that had burned since the 100th day of her captivity in Iran.

Still today, nearly 20 years later, Koob said people are eager to tell her how much they prayed for her during the crisis.

"Being a footnote to a footnote in history is sometimes rather interesting," she said.

Aftermath

When Koob returned to United States soil, she stayed with foreign services and was assigned to the foreign press center in New York. She served the needs of visiting and accredited foreign media correspondents.

From there Koob went to the U.S. embassy in Vienna as a cultural attaché. She spent four years working with educators and people in the arts.

Koob left Vienna to spend four years in Munich where she was a branch public affairs officer, then she came back to Washington D.C. for two years of work in the private sector program in the arts division of the U.S. Information Agency.

Koob found herself next at the U.S. embassy in Australia. She was the press attaché and worked closely with the U.S. ambassador and the Australian media.

Koob returned to the United States and retired. Then she finished her master of arts in religion at Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg in Pennsylvania.

In May 1998, she moved back to Waverly. Koob said she anticipates traveling in the future, spending time with family and friends and fulfilling several speaking engagements.

Kathryn Koob will be a part of a documentary on The History Channel titled "America Held Hostage: 444 Days to Freedom." The show will air at 8 p.m. Saturday and at midnight Sunday.

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Take a trip to the movies

Think Fifties nostalgia is keen? Does Nineties gore lure you to the movie theater? Whatever your viewing pleasure, the silver screen has something for you this month.

Golly, PLEASANTVILLE's the swellest

by Jill K. Norviel
Copy Editor

In Pleasantville, every morning begins, well, pleasantly, with a "big, hot breakfast" of pancakes, waffles, bacon, sausage and a nice ham steak before heading off to work or school. From there, it's off to the office and a non-descript job or to school for a lesson on the geography of Main Street.

And that's life in Pleasantville, a fictional 1950s town that serves as the backdrop for a delightful new movie of the same name starring Tobey Maguire, Reese Witherspoon, Joan Allen and William H. Macy.

The beginning of the movie finds twins David and Jennifer in a state of present day Teenage Angst. The very '90s siblings are different as night and day, with Jennifer on the verge of supreme popularity, while geeky brother David spends lunch hours and free time obsessing and quizzing his buddies about the specifics of the fictional lives of the people of Pleasantville.

Everything changes for the duo one dark and stormy night as Jennifer waits for the ultimate date to show up and David prepares himself for a Pleasantville marathon on TV Time. The kids get in a tug-o-war over the remote control, setting off a bizzare chain of events which includes a visit from Don Knotts and a trip through the television to Pleasantville.

Jen and David find themselves in black and white, filling the saddle shoes of Bud and Mary Sue Parker, the progeny of a family more wholesome than the Cleavers.

The twins are often unable to comply with the white-bread values of the time, and inadvertantly introduce such things as rain (it's always sunny and 72 in Pleasantville), books, fire, a life "outside of Pleasantville" and, gasp, sex.

Courtesy of Sony Music and New Line Cinema
GEE WHIZ, MOM!—Tobey Maguire and Reese Witherspoon are trapped in black-and-white Pleasantville.

These incidents change the lives of residents dramatically, namely by introducing color. Lips turn pink, cars turn green and Mrs. Parker turns to, well, flesh tone.

But it's not just color. The movie sends a great message about "true colors" and not being afraid to tap into the true emotions inside all of us. Characters in the middle of change often comment they "just don't know what they'd do" if their lives changed. In today's world, nothing is constant. The movie asks viewers to examine their own colors to see if they have what it takes for change.

The film, which was shot primarily in black and white and later colorized, is visually stunning. The soft pinks and greens soon give way to vivid reds and blues, ingniting passions the good townspeople didn't know existed.

In addition, the plot, dialogue and jabs at 1950s conformist TV ideals will make you smile nearly nonstop.

A jaunt to Pleasantville is as American as marshmallow rice squares and just as keen.

'Legend' turns myths into reality

by Annette Everding
Entertainment Editor

The babysitter receiving the crank phone calls from the man in the house, the man with the ax in the backseat of the car, the guy who has his kidney removed after being drugged by a beautiful woman and the girl who doesn't turn on the lights to see her roommate being murdered are among countless tales that have been told in every school.

Everyone's heard these stories before, but nobody really believes them. They're just urban legends made up to scare people into being more careful ... or are they?

That is the question posed in writer Silvio Horta's *Urban Legend*.

While in the same genre as *Scream* and *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, *Urban Legend* gives a few more thrills, chills and twists as the movie proceeds.

Set on a college campus, six teens must find a way to avoid the urban legends that seem to be permeating the school.

Natalie (Alicia Witt) is the first, and basically the only one, to put together the bizarre chain of events happening to the people she knows. She believes a serial killer is on the loose trying to make these urban legends real, but everybody else classifies them as suicides or freak accidents. Paul (Jared Leto) tells her that urban legends are just modern day folktales used to scare people into being more cautious.

Throughout the movie Natalie sees her friends murdered one-by-one, and she is powerless to do anything to stop it.

If only she would have listened to Sasha's (Tara Reid) advice at the beginning of the movie, when she says, "Get away from the volcano before it erupts." Things may have turned out differently.

Unfortunately, Natalie decides she has to solve the mystery. The characters become fewer and fewer, making the suspects even fewer, and the audience is playing the "whodunit" guessing game.

Okay, so there is some predictability as to who will die and who will survive. And yes, there are the usual suspects, such as the gas station attendant, the creepy janitor and the cute boyfriend. The killer has a weapon of choice, an ax in this case, which is used either to kill or intimidate the victims. And what horror movie wouldn't be complete without a few people lacking some common sense?

But for once, there is no inkling as to who the killer is or why the murders are taking place. It's a continual guessing game, and as the characters are killed off one by one, the possibilities just don't seem feasible. Perhaps it is someone the audience member hasn't even met yet or someone that is supposedly dead. Who knows?

The characters keep changing from being so sweet to being kind of psycho.

Witt, Leto, Reid, Rebecca Gayheart and Joshua Jackson all do a superb job in their roles.

Witt is the defenseless, flaky female who just doesn't know what to do every time she witnesses one of her friends get murdered.

Leto is the cute, too-smart-for-his-own-good, possibly psychotic newspaper guy.

Reid is just a ditzy sex fiend who has no clue what is going on, while Gayheart is the sweet, innocent girl who doesn't deserve to die and may possibly have some brains.

As for Jackson, he is the funny, lovable prankster who thinks the murders are just a big joke.

All in all, they are the typical characters for a good '90s slasher movie.

Director Jamie Blanks delivers a movie interlaced with humor, on-the-edge-of-the-seat horror and good twists as *Urban Legend* keeps the movie goer wondering.

For those who are tired of the teen cult slasher movies, wait for it to come out on video. But for those who just can't get enough, go for it on the big screen.

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Football team wipes Coe

by Jake Byers
Staff Writer

The black and orange of Wartburg gave their fans a treat with a Halloween victory over Coe College 48-0, improving their record to 8-0.

The Knights proved too much for the Ko-hawks in their first taste of Wartburg football as a new member of the IIAC. Offensively the Knights racked up 444 yards, while defensively Wartburg held Coe to 80 yards total offense and forced seven turnovers.

The turnover situation for Coe started early in the game. Taylor Anderson forced a fumble on the Ko-hawk's first possession, and Ryan Schutty recovered the ball on the Coe 35-yard line.

The Knight's offense wasted no time in capitalizing on the turnover. Matt Wheeler threw a 22-yard pass to Doug Baethke, putting the ball on the Coe 8-yard line. From there Trevor Shannon took it eight yards for one of his four touchdowns. The Cody Teslow point-after was good, giving Wartburg a 7-0 lead.

Coe threatened while driving the ball to the Wartburg nine. But the Knight's defense again got the ball back for the offense. Scott Milburn forced a fumble, and Josh Meier recovered it on the Wartburg 9-yard line.

The Knights used the Ko-hawk's mistake and turned it into points. Wheeler threw a 44-yard pass to Ryan Rausch for the score on this drive. The Teslow kick was no good.

The Wartburg defense continued its dominance throughout the first quarter.

Late in the quarter, Justin Ryan picked off a Coe pass and returned it 17 yards. An illegal block on Wartburg took away the return yards and gave the ball to the Knight's offense on the Coe 35-yard line.

The Knights used this opportunity to put more points on the board. Wheeler to Shannon was the usual combination in this effort. First, Shannon received a 22-yard pass from Wheeler to put the ball on the Coe 13. The tandem finished the job with a 13-yard reception by Shannon in the end zone. The Knights then elected to go for the 2-point conversion. Once again Wheeler to Shannon in the end zone made the score 21-0.

The beginning of the second quarter continued the Ko-hawk's woes. This time the Wartburg special teams got the ball back. The Knights forced a fumble on a punt that Kenny Polley recovered at the Coe 16-yard line.

Shannon had two consecutive rushes of eight yards for this score. Teslow's kick was good, making it Wartburg 35, Coe 0.

The Wartburg defense continued to hold off the Coe offensive attack by stuffing the Ko-hawks on a fourth down conversion try, giving the Knights the ball on the Coe 30.

This time Wheeler found a different target in the end zone. Wheeler hit Tim Flynn on a 27-yard pass for six more points. Again, the Teslow kick was good.

The first half ended with Wartburg 42, Coe 0.

The Knights came out after the half and drove the ball from the Wartburg 29 to the Coe 4. The Ko-hawks held the Knights to a 21-yard Teslow field goal, putting Wartburg up 45-0.

The Knights used great ball control and defense to hold the Ko-hawks. A long fourth quarter drive by Wartburg took up most of the quarter and ended with a 27-yard field goal by Isaac Thompson.

The Knight's offensive output was spread among many players. The rushing leader was Luke Haugenbury with 74 yards. Shannon rushed for 46 yards, and Tyler Molstre rushed for 40 yards.

Wheeler threw for 193 yards and four touchdowns. His leading targets were Flynn with 72 yards receiving, Rausch with 68 yards and Shannon with 61 yards.

The Knights face the Flying Dutch of Central College next weekend in what could be a potential Iowa Conference championship match-up. Both teams are undefeated and are looking for a playoff berth.

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FIGHTING OFF THE KOHAWKS—Sophomore Tyler Molstre attempts to escape the Coe defenders in the 48-0 win.

Matt Hansen
Sports columnist

What a great weekend for the Knights! Men's and women's cross country brought home both conference championships, and the football team embarrassed a supposedly quality team 48-0, with our second-teamers out-manning the Coe starters. My main topic of discussion this week will be the value of respect.

My favorite moment this week in Wartburg sports was the victory lap taken at the football game by the cross country teams. The respect given by the Wartburg students was great, but what really struck me was the respect given by the football team and other athletes in the crowd as the team ran in glory.

This year at Wartburg there seems to be a respect between teams that I have not seen in the three previous years I have been here. Although all the athletes seem to do their own thing, at each event there is a large number of other Wartburg athletes that are some of the biggest fans and loudest cheerleaders. This is the meaning of respect to me. In the past there always seemed to be jealously or little wars between sports. Now there is a feeling of respect and even a challenge to compete at the same high level.

Another example of respect that occurred this weekend was the pre-game talking by Coe football coach D.J. Leroy. If you have not heard this yet, old coach Leroy committed one of the cardinal sins of coaching. He told the newspapers that Wartburg, an undefeated team, was not one of the top teams in the conference. Coach Leroy put Simpson Central, Upper Iowa and his own team, who we embarrassed by the score of 48-0, ahead of us in the conference.

And what a classy and intelligent move on the part of Wartburg coach Rick Willis to resist his urge to run up the score against his personal rival. Instead, he removed most of the starters in the second half to save them for next week's game.

Speaking of next week's game, what a match-up. Wartburg goes into the game with a first-time ever record of 8-0 against perennial power Central, who we have not beaten in my four years at Wartburg. My prediction: Central's star running back Marc Ricketts is going to get completely shut down in the second half after a strong first half with two touchdown runs, and Wartburg, after trailing 14-0, will come back with a Ryan Rausch punt return for a touchdown, followed by an interception by Josh Meier, which will lead to a drive capped by a Trevor Shannon touchdown run. The game will end with Wartburg, in the two-minute offense, driving the field and shaking the Eric George curse with a Cody Teslow field goal to win the game with no time left.

And finally, to end this week, I would like to return to the cross country highlights to mention the naming of Steve Johnson as both the men's and women's IIAC cross country Coach of the Year. Congratulations, and Go Knights!

Soccer teams end season

Men's Soccer

by Deo Itandala
Staff Writer

The men's soccer team finished the season last week, losing 5-4 to Martin Luther College. Oct. 24, the Knights traveled to Storm Lake where they lost 3-0 to Buena Vista.

In Tuesday's game against Martin Luther, the Knights almost tied the game. With one minute remaining in the game, they let the fifth goal in.

Goal scorers for the Knights were Ishmael Mintah, Mark Bennett and Arthur Krimsky, who scored two.

Mintah finished the season as the top scorer for the Knights with 21 goals, followed by Arthur Krimsky's 11 and Randolph Cooper's four.

Even though the team did not make the conference playoffs, head coach Joseph Mintah was satisfied with his Knights' performance.

"The team has improved tremendously," he said. He also said the team improved from last year.

The Knights' overall record is 6-12, and 3-6 in conference matches.

Women's Soccer

by Katie Rogers
Staff Writer

The Wartburg women's soccer team ended its season by defeating Waldorf 3-0 last Thursday, leaving the Knights 4-12 in overall games.

Wartburg is now 1-8 in Iowa conference games, losing to Buena Vista 1-0 last Saturday, and getting beat by Martin Luther College 4-1 Tuesday.

In last Thursday's game against Waldorf, the Knights broke a record of most shots taken in a game. They tried 47 shots, burying the old 29-shot record.

Freshman Laurie Lauer said the Knights played a strong game, and the team worked together.

"We had problems scoring and couldn't finish the plays," said Lauer, "but it was one of the best games we've played this season."

In last Saturday's game against Buena Vista, Lauer said the Knights played a hard game.

"Buena Vista was a dirty team; they played dirty, and then they hacked us," said Lauer.

In Thursday's game against Martin Luther, sophomore Marissa Mowen scored the only goal for the Knights.

Freshman Mariah Noah said Martin Luther was aphysical team.

"They had a big team, and lots of subs. They kept bringing in fresh legs," said Noah.

"There was a significant difference from our first game to our last. We have learned to work together more as a team," said Lauer.

"Our record doesn't reflect our season," said Noah, "because we gave our hearts and gave everything we had. We had fun."

Losing only two seniors, Ruthie Schentzel and Erika Griesemer, coach Keri Douglas said she wants to work on recruiting.

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Wartburg cross country sweeps Iowa Conference

by Scott Eager
Staff Writer

The men's and women's cross country team made history Saturday, when they swept all four titles at the IIAC cross country meet in Fayette. Wartburg's victorious finish was the first time any school's men's and women's varsity and JV teams all won team titles.

The Wartburg men earned their right to the conference title after scoring only 34 points. The next closest team was Loras College with 50.

Senior co-captain T.J. Craig defended his conference title by winning the varsity race and earning MVP of the conference meet.

Placing fourth on the men's side was senior Ryan Harms, who bounced back from an illness and ran an "outstanding race," according to coach Steve Johnson.

Running third and fourth for the Knights were junior Kendall Ricklefs and sophomore Tom Zirbel. Ricklefs finished in eighth place closely followed by Zirbel, who was ninth.

Johnson said he was very happy about Ricklef's race and about his "tremendous year filled with great runs."

Rounding out the top seven finishers for the Knights were junior Brian Ryherd in 13th place, freshman Mitch Cook in 14th, and freshman Matt Cook in 16th.

"It was good to get rid of the three-year long frustration of not winning," said Craig of the men's first championship since 1994.

"We kept our pack together," said Johnson. Johnson said he couldn't be more excited about the tremendous performances by his men's teams.

The Wartburg women placed first with 30 points to earn a commanding lead over rival Loras College, which scored 50 points.

The Knights made impressive finishes by placing six runners in the top 10, earning them all a spot on the all-conference team.

The women's team was led by senior co-captain Trina Steines, who placed fourth overall.

"I thought everyone ran really well. We've been working hard, and it's paid off," Steines said.

Steines was closely followed by five of her teammates. Freshman Stacy Ernst and senior co-captain Julie Leonard finished fifth and sixth, respectively. The scoring was completed by the seventh and eighth place finishes of freshman Erin VanZee and junior Erin Ries.

"I'm so happy that we won conference," said Leonard. It was one of our team goals to do it, and everyone pulled together and kept the pack like we'd planned."

Rounding out the seven varsity runners were freshman Kristy Blasberg placing ninth, and senior Heidi Ludvigsen, who returned from an injury to place 12th.

Johnson said "the pack running killed everybody." He also said he was really proud of the team because of their great attitudes all year.

"We've put in more miles than any previous year since I've been here, and that is the No. 1 reason we've had great success," said Johnson.

"It was the best meet we've had all year so far. I couldn't have asked for anything more from anyone," said Leonard.

Johnson was named "Coach of the Year" in the Iowa Conference for both men's and women's teams as a result of the victories the teams earned.

The varsity teams' next competition will be the regional cross country championships in Northfield, Minn., on Nov. 14 at 11 a.m.

Kate Kelting/TRUMPET

RUNNING BUDDIES—Teammates Trina Steines and Erin Ries, above, pace each other to a team championship and All-Conference places. Steines finished fourth, while Ries was eighth.

THE SHOELESS RUNNER—Senior Jeff Huber, left, ran an extremely tough race, and with no shoes, to finish off his collegiate cross country career.

Volleyball team enjoys another strong showing

by Janna Swedin
Staff Writer

Pounding in Pella over Fall Break, the Knights volleyball team was successful in bringing home another trophy. Wartburg earned second place in the Central College tournament.

Over the four day weekend, Wartburg played Iowa Wesleyan, Bethel, William Penn, Nebraska Wesleyan and Central. The Knights didn't try anything new; their focus was to play hard and have fun, said coach Jennifer Semler.

After a lenient first day, the Knights faced Central for the last match of the second day.

"[The Knights] were drained," said Semler. "It was their 10th game of the day. We played hard in the first game, losing 15-17, and I think if we could have won that one, we would have taken the whole thing."

The Knights are looking forward to the IIAC tournament Friday and Saturday, where they will definitely see Central again, said Semler.

Following the Central tournament, the netters prepared themselves for their Wednesday evening matchup against the Ko-hawks of Coe College.

Killing the Ko-Hawks in three games, the Knight's volleyball team pumped up their record to 8-1 in the IIAC and 23-2 overall. Wartburg wasted no time on parent's night. They killed the Ko-Hawks in less than an hour.

The Knights raced in game one, allowing the Ko-Hawks only five points. In game two, Coe picked it up and came away with eight points, yet was still unsuccessful. In the game three finale, the Knights gave away only five points.

"I knew Coe wasn't going to be big at the net, so I was a little disappointed with the number of points that we gave up," said Semler.

Standouts at the net for the Knights included sophomore middle hitter Jenni Donohue, who racked up a hitting percentage of 1.000, going seven for seven.

"That's impressive," said Semler. "Everything she hit went down as a kill."

Junior outside hitter Heather Nail was also successful at the net. For an attack percentage of .500, she pounded seven of 14. Nail raced in the back row, passing up six of the 24 total defensive digs.

Also helping out in the back was senior defensive specialist Becca Albert, who chalked up six digs and two ace serves.

As a team, Wartburg was triumphant in squashing Coe's chance of scoring. The Knights roared with a .294 attack percentage compared to the Ko-Hawks' .013.

The Knights will take on the Rams of Cornell College Tuesday for the last regular season game. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

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TAKE THAT, COE—Senior Deb Behne goes for the kill in the Knight's victory over Coe. Teammate Kayah-bah Philman (2) stands ready.